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In re Application of

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Application No. 09/720,840

Filing Date: September 5, 2001

For: POLYKETIDES AND THEIR  
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: Examiner: Nashaat T. Nashed

: Group Art Unit: 1656

: MAIL STOP ISSUE FEE

: Attorney Docket: 0380-P02382USO

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**REQUEST FOR WITHDRAWAL OF HOLDING  
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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.181, Applicants, by their undersigned attorneys, hereby request that the abandonment of the above-identified application be withdrawn.

This request is being submitted promptly after applicants has learned of the abandonment on the basis of the Notice of Abandonment mailed by the PTO on September 13, 2006.

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Also submitted herewith is a statement attesting to the timely mailing of the issue fee and related correspondence referred to above based on personal knowledge.

Please proceed with processing of this application to grant, on the basis of the attached copies of papers originally filed.

Withdrawal of the holding of abandonment and acknowledgment of the active status of this application are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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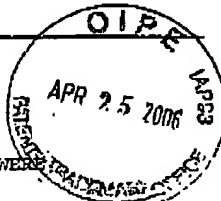
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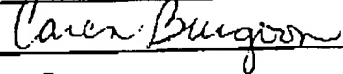
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